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THE RESULTS TO DATE.

At a low estimate the tariff is costing our textile labor \$4,000,000 a year and in reduced and passed dividends it is costing mill share owners another \$4,000,000 at least, and the correct figures for labor and shareholders is probably nearer \$15,000,000 yearly than \$8,000,000. What is the gain for this serious loss? We have yet to find a case where either cottons or woollens, grade for grade, are a fraction of a cent a yard lower than before the new tariff went into effect, so far as the consumer is concerned. Yet the mills have made slashing reductions in price of their products, and labor and shareholders are paying the bills in reduced wages and dividends. The party in power responsible for the disturbed conditions in textile manufacturing have failed to show a particle of benefit as a result of the tariff, but the bad effects are plain in all mill centers. The manufacturers are meeting the situation to the best of their ability, but the fact remains that foreign fabrics are coming over in increasing quantities, and before the year closes we look for fully a third of America's normal consumption to be shipped in from foreign countries.

THE RIGHT MAN AT THE FRONT.

In criticism of vacillating policy in Mexico, Governor Colquitt makes the following comment in an address to the Texas Cattle rangers whom he eulogized for their recent action: "I defy any authority on the face of the earth, Washington included, to prevent me from protecting our citizens along the border. It is only the inherent right of self-defense. Whenever the situation demands I will deal directly with Mexico in righting wrongs and not wait for the Federal Government, which seems to stand in fear. You can't expect the U. S. soldiers to cross the border for thieves and murderers, oh, no; but the Texas Rangers can do it. The Federal Government has not once assisted any citizen along the Rio Grande when they appealed for aid, except when it was too late. The defense of the people on the border belongs to Texas, and they shall have its full protection while I am Governor. I am trying to restrain myself but it is almost impossible in view of the outrages and indifference of the United States. These bandits cross our border, kidnap our people, steal our property, then go back into Mexico and are safe. They know they are safe. They know Washington will do nothing."



HIS REAPPEARANCE.

A celebrated vocalist was in a motor car accident one day. A paper, recording the accident, said: "We are happy to state that he was able to appear the following evening in three pieces."—Easton Free Press.

THE SHACKLEFORD BILL

Now In Senate Will Be Big Aid To Country Roads—Rural Carriers Much Interested.

Rural letter carriers everywhere are awaiting with much interest, action by the Senate on the Shackleford road bill which was passed by the House of Representatives by an overwhelming majority and is now with the Senate Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads.

Always concerned in the matter of good roads, the interests of rural carriers in this important subject has increased manifold since the parcel post weight has been extended to 50 pounds, with prospects of a further increase to 100 pounds.

The Shackleford bill provides Federal aid for post roads, dividing them into three classes. Class A covers paved roads, for which there is an allowance of \$60 per mile; Class B includes gravel, sand or clay, and there is an allowance of \$30 per mile; Class C covers dirt roads, with an allowance of \$15 per mile. It cannot be disputed that even the small sum of \$750 per year applied to the improvement of 24 miles on a rural route would greatly improve and enhance the condition and efficiency of rural delivery service.

It is hoped that the Shackleford bill will be passed by the Senate without material change and become a law.

GIRL SWALLOWS POISON

After the Sweetheart She Rejected Killed Himself.

Huntington, W. Va.—Four days after her sweetheart, Cleveland Runyon, a young railroad man, killed himself, Miss Edna Coates, 20 years old, daughter of a well-to-do business man here, ended her life by drinking poison.

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The Mysterious Grave

By Mrs. C. C. Driggs.

CHAPTER IV.

"Everybody for miles down the river were searching for the body. Jack Pearson hired two men and a skiff and lived on the river floating down on one side, rowing back on the other. He would come to our house after dark and leave at daylight and carried food in his pocket. Early on the fourth morning after the sad affair, as he was floating down, just above Munn's Run he spied an object in a bunch of willows. It was the body. Coroner Smith and Undertaker Rowe were sent for and soon it was in the undertakers rooms."

"Jack Pearson took control of the case, and gave orders. Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Westwood and I were asked to assist Mr. and Mrs. Rowe in preparing the body for burial. He instructed that the best material that could be procured was to be used, then hired men and went to the graveyard."

"Mrs. Westwood was a milliner and artist—she took control of the shroud. We made a foundation of white muslin soaked then with white silk, lace and ruching we arranged it in puffs and fold on folds 'til the whole, presented the picture of a beautiful marble white face peeping out from a mass of billowy white foam. One hand reached up through the 'foam' and held a white rose. It was indeed a beautiful sight."

"Everyday on this Hocking Valley Railroad two express trains pass. One goes East at 8:50. The other West at 2 p. m., but they never stop here."

"On this particular day however the 2 o'clock train stopped and a fine looking young man and two elegantly dressed ladies got to meet them. A few minutes talk with the station master they came straight to the undertaker's rooms. Their unusual appearance attracted our attention while far down the street and Jack Pearson, who had just returned from the graveyard and was viewing our work with sad eyes walked out to meet them. He soon returned saying they were relatives of the young girl."

"We quietly withdrew as the strangers came in. After a bit Mr. Pearson came to us in another room, saying, 'The relatives approved of everything except the hour for burial was to be 6:30 instead of 4:30' as we had planned."

"He then asked us to drive to the burial with the relatives. We gladly assented and I hurried home. In a short time Mr. Pearson brought the strangers to our house. I assigned them my best rooms, including the parlor on the second floor. They requested tea, which I served in the parlor. Mr. Rowe had two hacks and an open carriage. Messrs. Smith, Westwood, Ellison and Miller rode in the open carriage in front of the hearse. Mr. Pearson rode with the strangers in the first hack. Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Westwood, Mrs. Rowe, and I rode in the second. The men who had dug the grave remained to fill it. As the clouds began to rattle on the box one of the women gave a low moan and the young man put his arm around her."

"Not a word was spoken except as Mr. Pearson now and then gave an order in a low tone. The sun had set when the work was done. Mrs. Westwood had brought a bunch of white roses which Mr. Pearson laid on the grave. (To be continued.)"

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LOVELY, BUT PEACEFUL. (State Journal.)

Speaking of the adjournment of the Legislature reminds us of the fellow who was asked if he died of his life did not have an very lonely. "Powerful lonely," he replied, "but powerful peaceful."

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In treating constipation, there is a right way and a wrong way. The wrong way is to take harsh purgatives which even though they do clear the bowels, cause griping and nausea, injure the delicate tissues, and so disturb the normal functions as to cause the return of constipation. The right way is to help Nature to produce natural movement, without pain or discomfort, by using

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